

[CHAPTER 850.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing certain retired officers or employees of the United States to accept such decorations, orders, medals, or presents as have been tendered them by foreign Governments.

June 27, 1934.
[H. J. Res. 330.]
[Pub. Res. No. 52.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following-named retired officers or employees of the United States are hereby authorized to accept such decorations, orders, medals, or presents as have been tendered them by foreign Governments:

Decorations tendered by foreign governments. Designated officers and employees may accept.
State Department.

State Department: Robert Woods Bliss, Fred D. Fisher, George Horton, William H. Hunt, Frank W. Mahin, Thomas Sammons, Harry Tuck Sherman, Alexander Thackara, and Craig W. Wadsworth.

United States Army: Charles J. Allen, Bailey K. Ashford, George G. Bartlett, Herbert C. Crosby, William Crozier, Albert C. Dalton, Hanson E. Ely, James E. Fechet, Harry E. Gilchrist, Francis W. Griffin, William W. Harts, John L. Hines, William E. Horton, John A. Hull, Girard L. McEntee, Charles P. Summerall, John J. Pershing, Trevor W. Swett, and Thomas F. Van Natta, Junior.

Army.

United States Navy: William C. Braisted, William B. Caperton, Robert E. Coontz, Herbert O. Dunn, John Rufus Edie, Noble E. Irwin, Harry H. Lane, Norman T. McLean, William V. Pratt, Henry J. Shields, George W. Steele, Montgomery M. Taylor, and Arthur L. Willard.

Navy.

United States Marine Corps: Ben H. Fuller and George C. Thorpe. Sol Bloom, Member of Congress, Director of United States George Washington Bicentennial Commission.

Marine Corps.
Member of Congress.

Department of Agriculture: L. O. Howard.

Department of Commerce: Antone Silva.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of State is hereby directed to furnish to the Seventy-fifth Congress and to each alternate Congress thereafter a list of those retired officers or employees of the United States for whom the Department of State under the provisions of the Act of January 31, 1881 (U.S.C., title 5, sec. 115), is holding decorations, orders, medals, or presents tendered them by foreign governments.

Department of Agriculture.
Department of Commerce.
List of persons for whom State Department is holding decorations, etc., to be reported to 75th, etc., Congresses.

Approved, June 27, 1934.

[CHAPTER 851.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend the Settlement of War Claims Act of 1928, as amended.

June 27, 1934.
[H. J. Res. 365.]
[Pub. Res., No. 53.]

Whereas the joint resolution of the Congress of the United States, approved July 2, 1921, provides in part as follows:

Settlement of War Claims Act of 1928, amendments.
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"SEC. 5. All property of the Imperial German Government, or its successor or successors, and of all German nationals, which was, on April 6, 1917, in or has since that date come into the possession or under control of, or has been the subject of a demand by the United States of America or of any of its officers, agents, or employees, from any source or by any agency whatsoever, * * * shall be retained by the United States of America and no disposition thereof made, except as shall have been heretofore or specifically hereafter shall be provided by law until such time as the Imperial German Government * * * shall have * * * made suitable provision for the satisfaction of all claims against said [Government] * * *, of all persons, wheresoever domiciled, who owe permanent allegiance to the United States

of America and who have suffered, through the acts of the Imperial German Government, or its agents * * * since July 31, 1914, loss, damage, or injury to their persons or property, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of shares of stock in German, * * *, American, or other corporations, or in consequence of hostilities or of any operations of war, or otherwise * * *."

Whereas the treaty between the United States and Germany of August 25, 1921, incorporated said provision of such joint resolution and also provided in article I thereof as follows:

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"Germany undertakes to accord to the United States, and the United States shall have and enjoy, all the rights, privileges, indemnities, reparations, or advantages specified in the aforesaid Joint Resolution of the Congress of the United States of July 2, 1921, including all the rights and advantages stipulated for the benefit of the United States in the Treaty of Versailles which the United States shall fully enjoy notwithstanding the fact that such Treaty has not been ratified by the United States."; and

Whereas by the agreement of August 10, 1922, between Germany and the United States, a Mixed Claims Commission was established to adjudicate claims of American nationals against Germany arising out of the World War; and

Vol. 42, p. 2200.

Whereas under the terms of the debt-funding agreement between Germany and the United States dated June 23, 1930, Germany agreed to pay to the United States in satisfaction of Germany's obligations remaining on account of awards, including interest thereon, entered and to be entered by the Mixed Claims Commission, United States and Germany, the sum of 40,800,000 reichmarks for the period September 1, 1929, to March 31, 1930, and the sum of 40,800,000 reichmarks per annum from April 1, 1930, to March 31, 1981; and

Whereas Germany is now in arrears in payments due under said debt-funding agreement between Germany and the United States, and has, accordingly, failed to make suitable provision for the satisfaction of the said claims against Germany: Now, therefore be it

Further payments to German Nationals, from special deposit account postponed, pending arrears of payments by Germany.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That so long as Germany is in arrears in any payments of principal or interest, including interest at the rate of 5 per centum per annum on principal installments not paid when due, under the debt-funding agreement between Germany and the United States, dated June 23, 1930, with respect to Germany's obligations remaining on account of awards, including interest thereon, entered and to be entered by the Mixed Claims Commission, United States and Germany, all payments, conveyances, transfers, or deliveries of money or property or the income, issues, profits, and/or avails thereof authorized or directed to be made under the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, or the Settlement of War Claims Act of 1928, as amended, whether or not a judgment or decree has been entered with respect thereto, shall be postponed and the money or property, or the income, issues, profits, and/or avails thereof reserved: *Provided, however,* That such of the funds as are from time to time available (without taking into consideration interest thereafter accruing) under the Settlement of War Claims Act of 1928, as amended, for the payment of principal and interest upon awards of said Mixed Claims Commission shall be applied when available to the payment of principal and interest upon such awards in the same manner and to the same extent as though certain of the payments provided for

Vol. 40, p. 423; Vol. 42, p. 106; Vol. 45, p. 268.

Provisos.
Use of any available funds in paying certain Mixed Claims Commission awards.

in said Act had not been postponed under this resolution: *Provided further*, That the President may, in his sole discretion, remove the restriction as to any of the cases or classes of cases in relation to which payments, conveyances, transfers, or deliveries have been postponed under this resolution: *And provided further*, That the President is authorized to determine, for the purposes of this resolution, the period or periods in which Germany is in arrears in the payments hereinbefore described, and his determination thereof shall not be subject to judicial review.

Section 36 of the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933, as amended, is amended—

I. By striking the comma and the word “and” after the words “to reduce and refinance its outstanding indebtedness incurred in connection with any such project” in the second sentence thereof and inserting in place thereof the following: “; or, whether or not it has any such indebtedness, to purchase or otherwise acquire in connection with such project storage reservoirs or dams or sites therefor, or additional water rights, or canals, ditches, or rights-of-way for the conduct of water, or other works or appurtenances necessary for the delivery of water, provided such purchase or acquisition is not intended to bring additional lands into production. Such loans”.

II. By adding at the beginning of (5) thereof the following: “in the case of a loan to reduce or refinance its outstanding indebtedness,”.

III. By adding at the beginning of (C) thereof the following: “in the case of a loan to reduce or refinance the outstanding indebtedness of an applicant,”.

Approved, June 27, 1934.

[CHAPTER 865.]

AN ACT

To stop injury to the public grazing lands by preventing overgrazing and soil deterioration, to provide for their orderly use, improvement, and development, to stabilize the livestock industry dependent upon the public range, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to promote the highest use of the public lands pending its final disposal, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in his discretion, by order to establish grazing districts or additions thereto and/or to modify the boundaries thereof, not exceeding in the aggregate an area of eighty million acres of vacant, unappropriated, and unreserved lands from any part of the public domain of the United States (exclusive of Alaska), which are not in national forests, national parks and monuments, Indian reservations, revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands, or revested Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands, and which in his opinion are chiefly valuable for grazing and raising forage crops: *Provided*, That no lands withdrawn or reserved for any other purpose shall be included in any such district except with the approval of the head of the department having jurisdiction thereof. Nothing in this Act shall be construed in any way to diminish, restrict, or impair any right which has been heretofore or may be hereafter initiated under existing law validly affecting the public lands, and which is maintained pursuant to such law except as otherwise expressly provided in this Act, nor to affect any land heretofore or hereafter surveyed which, except for the provisions of this Act, would be a part of any grant to any State, nor as limiting or restricting the power or authority

President may remove restriction as to payments, etc., in any class, etc.

Periods of arrears by Germany to be determined for purposes of Act.

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Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Authority to make loans to irrigation district.

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June 28, 1934.

[H. R. 6462.]

[Public, No. 482.]

Overgrazing and soil deterioration, public lands.

Grazing districts, or additions thereto, to be established.

Modifying boundaries, etc., thereof.

Areas excluded.

Proriso.
Restriction on use.

Valid claims not impaired.